IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA ASHEVILLE DIVISION

CRIMINAL NO. 1:07CR33

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	
VS.)))	<u> </u>
JOHN WILSON PATTON)) _)	

THIS MATTER is before the Court on motion of defense counsel for permission to file for an interim payment of counsel fees and upon referral from the District Court.

For the reasons set forth in the motion and for cause shown,

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that counsel's motion is ALLOWED, and John C. Hunter is hereby permitted to file an interim fee petition in this matter.

Signed: July 25, 2007

Dennis L. Howell United States Magistrate Judge